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What is claimed is:

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- 1. A method of treating a mammal having edema comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of hVEGR antagonist.
- 5 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said edema comprises cerebral edema.
 - 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said mammal is a human further having a neoplastic disease.
- 10 4. The method of claim 3 wherein said neoplastic disease comprises a brain tumor.
 - 5. The method of claim 4 wherein said hVEGF antagonist is administered to said mammal serially or in combination with chemotherapy or radiation
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- 6. The method of claim 1 wherein said mammal is a human further having or having undergone a stroke.
- 7. The method of claim 1 wherein waid hVEGF antagonist comprises an anti-
 - 8. The method of claim 7 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a chimeric antibody.
 - 9. The method of claim 7 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a humanized antibody.
- 10. The method of claim 7 wherein said antibody comprises a monoclonal antibody. $\begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array}$
 - 11. The method of claim 1 wherein said hVEGF antagonist comprises a hVEGF receptor fusion protein.

- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein comprises an extracellular domain sequence of a hVEGF receptor fused to an immunoglobulin.
- 5 13. The method of claim 12 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein comprises a <u>flt</u>-IgG fusion protein.
 - 14. A method of treating a mammal having or having undergone a stroke, comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of hVEGF antagonist.
 - 15. The method of claim 14 wherein said hVEGF antagonist comprises an anti-hVEGF antibody.
- 15 16. The method of claim 15 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a chimeric antibody.
 - 17. The method of claim 15 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a humanized antibody.
 - 18. The method of claim 15 wherein said antibody comprises a monoclonal antibody.
 - 19. The method of claim 14 wherein said hVEGF antagonist comprises a hVEGF receptor fusion protein.
 - 20. The method of claim 19 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein comprises an extracellular domain sequence of a hVEGF receptor fused to an immunoglobulin.
 - 21. The method of claim 20 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein comprises a <u>flt</u>-IgG fusion protein.

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- 22. A method of treating a mammal having cerebral edema comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of hVEGF antagonist.
- 23. The method of claim 22 wherein said hVEGF antagonist comprises an anti-hVEGF antibody.
 - 24. The method of claim 23 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a chimeric antibody.
- 10 25. The method of claim 23 wherein said anti-hVEGF antibody comprises a humanized antibody.
 - 26. The method of claim 23 wherein said antibody comprises a monoclonal antibody.
 - 27. The method of claim 22 wherein said hVEGF antagonist comprises a hVEGF receptor fusion protein.
- 28. The method of claim 27 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein

 20 comprises an extracellular domain sequence of a hVEGF receptor fused to an immunoglobulin.
 - 29. The method of claim 28 wherein said hVEGF receptor fusion protein comprises a $\underline{\text{flt}}\text{-IgG}$ fusion protein.